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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 **THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

2 **MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016, 9:30 A.M.**

3 **2016-17 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS**

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7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL NOW OFFICIALLY COME TO ORDER,
9 JUNE 27, 2016 MEETING. THIS MEETING, AS YOU KNOW, IS OUR
10 ANNUAL BUDGET DELIBERATIONS. AND AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE
11 BOARD'S DELIBERATIONS, WE'LL HAVE A FINAL BUDGET, WHICH WILL
12 BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JULY 1ST OF THIS YEAR. AT THIS TIME, I'D
13 LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO OUR C.E.O., SACHI HAMAI, WHO WILL MAKE
14 HER PRESENTATION.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,
17 SUPERVISORS. FOLLOWING YOUR BOARD'S ADOPTION OF THE
18 RECOMMENDED 2016-17 BUDGET IN APRIL, WE HAVE PREPARED OUR
19 PROPOSED FINAL CHANGES, WHICH I'M PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU
20 THIS MORNING. ONCE AGAIN, WE ARE DELIVERING A BALANCED BUDGET
21 THAT REFLECTS THIS BOARD'S STRONG SENSE OF FISCAL
22 RESPONSIBILITY. THE BUDGET ASSUMES THAT PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS
23 WILL GROW BY 5.05 PERCENT, AS FORECASTED BY THE ASSESSOR IN
24 MAY OF THIS YEAR. IF APPROVED BY THE BOARD, THESE RECOMMENDED
25 FINAL CHANGES WOULD ADD AN ADDITIONAL 910 POSITIONS AND WOULD



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1 BRING THE TOTAL BUDGET TO \$28.7 BILLION, AN INCREASE OF JUST
2 UNDER 1 PERCENT. WHILE THIS BUDGET PROVIDES ESSENTIAL FUNDING
3 ACROSS ALL OF OUR COUNTY SERVICES, IT AGGRESSIVELY SUPPORTS
4 THE BOARD'S AGENDA FOR TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGES IN YOUR FOUR KEY
5 PRIORITY AREAS: HOMELESSNESS, CHILD PROTECTION, SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT REFORMS, AND THE INTEGRATION OF OUR COUNTY HEALTH
7 AGENCIES. SO WITH THAT, I'LL BEGIN ON ITEM NO. 1. THIS IS
8 FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET ISSUES, AND THESE ARE THE MID-YEAR
9 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS. I PUT THAT BEFORE YOU, THIS BOARD.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR MEMBERS ON
12 THIS? OKAY, WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AGENDA
13 NUMBER 1. ERIC PREVEN WISHES TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS WOULD BE
16 THE LITTLE TWEAKS ON LAST YEAR'S BUDGET, AND I JUST WANTED TO
17 RAISE UP A FEW INTERESTING POINTS. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS
18 GETTING A TRANSFER OF \$127,000 INTO HIS BUDGET FOR THE AUDIT
19 COMMITTEE ORDER AUDITS. I WAS WONDERING IF WE COULD SET UP A
20 MECHANISM ALSO TO HAVE PUBLICLY-SUGGESTED AREAS FOR AUDIT.
21 THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD AREA. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR GETTING
22 \$100,000 TRANSFERRED TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE ACCUMULATED CAPITAL
23 OUTLAY FUND TO THE REPLACEMENT OF VEHICLES, IS THAT GOING TO
24 BE REPLACING JUST TWO OR SO VEHICLES OR THREE VEHICLES?
25 \$100,000 JUST DOESN'T GET MANY VEHICLES, BUT WE DO APPRECIATE



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1 YOU'RE TAKING CARE OF THAT. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS
2 TRANSFERRING \$1.5 MILLION FROM THE PROVISIONAL FINANCE USE
3 BUDGET, BECAUSE IT HAD A REVENUE SHORTFALL IN THE HUMAN
4 TRAFFICKING DIVISION. BUT WE'VE HAD A LOT OF FUNDING FOR THAT
5 GROUP. I'M JUST SURPRISED THAT WE HAVEN'T DONE IT UNTIL NOW,
6 BUT IF IT HAS TO BE DONE, IT HAS TO BE DONE, AND I DO
7 APPRECIATE IT. THE INTERNAL SERVICES GROUP IS TRANSFERRING 278
8 FOR THE PURCHASE OF HAVING TO DO WITH THE COUNTYWIDE DATA
9 PLAN. NOW, THAT IS A TINY NUMBER FOR THE COUNTYWIDE DATA
10 MANAGEMENT PLAN, AS MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MR. KNABE KNOW. AND
11 I'M WONDERING, IS THERE ALSO A RECOMMENDATION WITH REGARD TO
12 I.B.M., WHO HAVE MADE RECOMMENDATIONS? THERE'S A COMPANY
13 CALLED CORESITE, WHICH IS AN L.L.C. THAT HAS SOME CARLISLE
14 BACKING. IT CAUGHT MY ATTENTION AT THE CITY LEVEL. I'M JUST
15 ANXIOUS ABOUT THAT. THE REGISTRAR COUNTY RECORDER IS JUST
16 GETTING A SMALL \$735,000 DECREASE, ACTUALLY, IN
17 APPROPRIATIONS. BUT WE HEARD ON THE OTHER DAY THAT THERE WERE
18 SOME REAL SHORTFALLS IN THE WAY THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO HANDLE
19 THESE ELECTIONS. SHOULD WE NOT BE LOOKING AT THE REGISTRAR-
20 RECORDER GETTING MORE MONEY IN THIS NEXT FISCAL YEAR? AND THE
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, JUST IN CONCLUSION, WE ARE MOVING \$3.6
22 MILLION INTO THE SHERIFF'S CUSTODY BUDGET FOR THE MENTAL
23 HEALTH GROUP. BUT I WAS REALLY EXCITED ABOUT HOW THE AGENCY
24 WAS GOING TO BE TAKING SOME OF THAT FUNDING TO TRY TO, FOR
25 MENTAL HEALTH, AT LEAST, MAKE SURE THAT IT'S NOT COMING SO



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1 MUCH FROM THE SHERIFFS AS FROM THE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. SO,
2 WITH THAT, I WILL STAND DOWN AND LET YOU CONTINUE. I DIDN'T
3 QUITE FINISH, BUT I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME. THANK YOU.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THERE ARE NO FURTHER PUBLIC SPEAKERS. DO I
6 HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THIS ITEM? ITEM NO. 1 REQUIRES FOUR
7 VOTES. WE HAVE A MOTION, SECOND BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. MOVING ON, MEMBERS, TO ITEM NO. 2.

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10 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 2, THESE ARE ISSUES RAISED AT THE
11 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS. AND FOR THE RECORD, YOUR EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER ALSO PUT A REPORT FORWARD, BOTH THE WRITTEN COMMENTS
13 AND THE VERBAL COMMENTS TO THE BOARD. SO THIS IS A RECEIVE AND
14 FILE.

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16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE DO HAVE PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.
17 WE HAVE KAREN AMOTIS, CONNIE HAN. AND NATALIE BESSIE, KAREN
18 SOLOMON, AND DONITA HARMON AND ERIC PREVEN. GOOD MORNING.

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20 **KAREN AMOTIS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KAREN AMOTIS, PUBLIC
21 HEALTH NURSE SUPERVISOR WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'VE BEEN AN
22 EMPLOYEE FOR 16 YEARS AND WITH THE HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FOR
23 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE FOR 14 YEARS. OUR PROGRAM PROVIDES
24 SERVICES TO OVER 24,000 FOSTER CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTY WITH
25 ONLY ABOUT 66 NURSES WITH A CASELOAD OF 300 TO 500 KIDS PER



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1 NURSE. WE HAVE OVER 12 POSITIONS THAT ARE FROZEN AND WE CANNOT
2 HIRE. WE HAVE BEEN FUNCTIONING AS A SAFETY NET FOR CLIENTS WHO
3 ARE C.S.A.C., MEDICALLY FRAGILE CHILDREN, PROBATION YOUTH, THE
4 HOMELESS, WITHOUT THE FUNDING, LIMITED STAFF, AND RESOURCES.
5 WE ARE ASKING TO HIRE ON THESE FROZEN POSITIONS JUST TO
6 MAINTAIN OUR CASELOAD AND BE SURE NO CHILD FALLS THROUGH THE
7 CRACKS. AND WE WANT TO ASSIST THE MANY SOCIAL WORKERS WITHIN
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. THANK YOU.

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10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND YOU WERE KAREN?

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12 **KAREN AMOTIS:** YES.

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14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** JUST MENTION YOUR NAME WHEN YOU SPEAK.

15 THANK OU.

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17 **CONNIE HAN:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS CONNIE, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
18 FOR L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WITH HEALTHCARE
19 PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. WE ARE ALSO HERE TO ASK
20 FOR THAT FROZEN ITEM TO BE RELEASED. CURRENTLY RIGHT NOW AT MY
21 CASELOAD, JUST MINE ALONE AT LAKEWOOD OFFICE, IS 480. THAT'S
22 DOUBLE WHAT THE STATE REQUIREMENT IS. AND THE CHILDREN ARE IN
23 JEOPARDY RIGHT NOW. WE ARE CONSIDERED A CONSULTANT, SO WE
24 CAN'T PROVIDE THE PRIMARY SERVICES FOR THESE CHILDREN WHEN OUR
25 CASES ARE THIS HIGH. I HAVE A FIVE-YEAR-OLD WHO'S ON FIVE



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1 PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS AND A HEART MEDICATION, A FIVE-YEAR-
2 OLD, WHO WE CAN'T PROVIDE THE FULL SERVICES THAT THEY NEED,
3 PROVIDE LINKAGES AND SERVICES AND RESOURCES AND ADVOCATE FOR
4 THESE CHILDREN WHEN OUR CASES ARE THIS HIGH. WE'RE TALKING
5 ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THESE CHILDREN. THEY ARE THE MOST
6 VULNERABLE POPULATION, AND YET WE CAN'T GIVE THEM THE WHOLE
7 SERVICE THAT THEY SURELY DESERVE. SO, WE'RE ASKING FOR THE 12
8 ITEMS TO BE UNFROZEN AT THIS TIME SO THAT WE AT LEAST CAN
9 PROVIDE A SAFETY NET FOR THESE CHILDREN THAT'S IN THE FOSTER
10 CARE SYSTEM. THANK YOU.

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12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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14 **NATALIE BESSIE:** HI, MY NAME IS NATALIE BESSIE. I'M A PUBLIC
15 HEALTH NURSE. I WORK AT EDELMAN CHILDREN'S COURT AS THE
16 LIAISON. AND I'M HERE TO REITERATE BASICALLY THE SAME THING
17 THAT THEY'RE SAYING, THAT THERE'S A -- REALLY WE'RE AT A
18 CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF NURSING. AND AT PRESENT, WE ARE REALLY
19 ONLY PUTTING OUT BRUSHFIRES. WITH THE STAFFING THAT WE HAVE,
20 WE'RE DOING THE MINIMUM, WHICH THERE'S GREAT CONCERN THAT
21 BECAUSE WE'RE ONLY PUTTING OUT BRUSHFIRES, PROBLEMS COULD
22 OCCUR, THINGS COULD FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS. AND WE ARE HERE
23 PRETTY MUCH JUST TO ADVOCATE FOR GETTING THE POSITIONS
24 UNFROZEN AND HOPEFULLY TO GET BETTER STAFFING. SO, I
25 APPRECIATE YOUR TIME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE KAREN SOLOMON.

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4 **KAREN SOLOMON:** HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M KAREN SOLOMON. I'M A
5 SUPERVISOR, A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE SUPERVISOR WITHIN THE FOSTER
6 CARE PROGRAM. AND CURRENTLY THERE ARE 21 REGIONAL OFFICES
7 ANYWHERE FROM PALMDALE TO POMONA. AND SO, THE PROBLEM IS THAT,
8 AS A SUPERVISOR, BECAUSE WE'RE ALSO LACKING ITEMS IN THAT
9 AREA, AS WELL, TO PROVIDE QUALITY ASSURANCE IS A HARD THING,
10 BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO THREE AND FOUR DIFFERENT OFFICES,
11 BECAUSE WE'RE LACKING THE HELP AND WE'RE TRYING TO OVERSEE
12 THAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES ARE ACTUALLY PROVIDING THE
13 PROPER CARE FOR THESE CHILDREN. AND ALSO, THEY HIRED OVER
14 3,000 SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS OR MORE. SO, THAT'S
15 71 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES IN THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM TO HELP
16 WITH CHILDREN THAT ARE DETAINED BY THE COURT. SO, THE CHILDREN
17 THAT WE SEE ARE CHILDREN WHO ARE ACTUALLY THE JURISDICTION OF
18 THE COURT. AND IT'S HARD TO OVERSEE THAT WITH THE AMOUNT OF
19 CHILDREN THAT WE HAVE, AS THEY FOREMENTIONED. IT'S OVER 24,000
20 KIDS, AND SO THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT AT THE RATE THAT WE'RE
21 GOING, JUST LIKE WITH GABRIEL, YOU KNOW, SOMETHING COULD FALL
22 THROUGH THE CRACKS, EVEN THOUGH -- AND ALSO WE'RE SEEING THE
23 B.R.C., AS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE SUPERVISOR, KNOWS. AND IT'S
24 LIKE AT THIS POINT, WE ARE SUFFERING. WHEN YOU GO TO ANY
25 OFFICE AT ANY GIVEN TIME, YOU WILL SEE MULTIPLE PURPLE FOLDERS



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1 ON THEIR DESK, AND THE SOCIAL WORKERS ARE CRYING OUT FOR HELP,
2 BECAUSE THEY'RE SCARED. THEY DON'T WANT TO GO, YOU KNOW, BE IN
3 TROUBLE WITH ANYTHING. SO, THEY NEED HELP, AND WE'RE THE ONES
4 WHO OVERSEE THE PHYSICAL, THE DENTALS AND, YOU KNOW, CYCLE THE
5 NEEDS OF THE CHILDREN. ALSO, AS YOU ALSO KNOW, WE HAVE A LOT
6 OF MONEY GOING TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION. AND MANY OF THESE
7 KIDS END UP IN THAT SITUATION, WHERE THEY END UP NEEDING TO BE
8 SHELTERED. SO, AND A LOT OF THEM JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE 18 OR
9 21, THEY END UP WITHOUT SHELTER. SO, A LOT OF THEM WILL END UP
10 GOING TO THAT. THANK YOU.

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12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

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14 **DONITA HARMON:** MY NAME IS DONITA HARMON, AND I'M A PUBLIC
15 HEALTH NURSE, AS WELL. AND I'M HERE TO REITERATE. I WANT TO
16 BRING KIND OF TO THE FOREFRONT THAT THE REASON THAT THE
17 PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED IN THE FIRST PLACE WAS TO PROVIDE THE
18 SERVICES, THE CONSULTANT SERVICES TO THE SOCIAL WORKER. THEY
19 WERE UNABLE TO HANDLE THE MEDICAL AND DENTAL INFORMATION AND
20 TO OVERSEE THAT INFORMATION WITH THE JOB, WITH THEIR JOB
21 DESCRIPTION, AND SO WE CAME ALONG BOARD TO ASSIST THEM IN THAT
22 ENDEAVOR. AND SO, WITH THE STAFFING THE WAY IT IS NOW, WE
23 CANNOT PERFORM THE SERVICES THAT WE WERE INTENTIONALLY HIRED
24 TO DO. THE SOCIAL WORKER NEEDS THAT ASSISTANCE. THEY NEED OUR
25 ASSISTANCE IN THIS AREA. WE COLLABORATE WITH OTHER MEDICAL



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1 PROVIDERS. WE DEAL WITH THE SCHOOL. WE DEAL WITH THE DOCTORS.
2 WE DEAL WITH REGIONAL CENTER. MULTIPLE, MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES
3 WE BRING TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CHILD HAS THE CORRECT
4 MEDICAL AND PHYSICAL AND THOSE TYPE OF THINGS, MAKE SURE THAT
5 THOSE NEEDS ARE MET. FOSTER CHILDREN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE
6 POPULATION. WE HAVE CHILDREN THAT HAVE MULTIPLE PLACEMENTS.
7 AND SO, WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING SURE THAT THOSE CHILDREN
8 HAVE THEIR MEDICAL AND THEIR DENTAL, PSYCH, THAT TYPE OF THIS.
9 WE'RE THE ONES THAT MAKE SURE THAT THAT'S DONE. AND SO, WE'RE
10 TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH THAT. SO, THAT'S A VERY DIFFICULT THING
11 WITH THE SITUATION AS IT IS WITH OUR STAFFING. AND SO, WE'RE
12 JUST ASKING YOU GUYS, IF YOU WOULD JUST BE MINDFUL OF THAT. WE
13 DEFINITELY WANT TO DO THE JOB WE WERE HIRED TO DO. AND WE
14 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE ERIC PREVEN.

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.
19 AND THIS REFLECTS, IN A WAY, ON THE PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT HAD
20 HAPPENED EARLIER IN MAY. AND I REMEMBER WE ATTENDED, THERE
21 WERE SOME GOOD COMMENTS, AND THE BOARD OBVIOUSLY HAS, BECAUSE
22 I HAVE SEEN THE BUDGET, TAKEN ON SOME OF THOSE CLAIMS. LIKE
23 THIS GROUP, YOU'RE GOING TO REWARD THEM WITH SOME GREAT NEW
24 D.C.F.S. SOCIAL WORKERS. SO, THANK YOU. NOW, THIS ALSO
25 CONTAINED A FEW COMMENTS THAT NEED TO BE CORRECTED. ONE, THERE



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1 WAS A LITTLE BIT OF A CONFUSION IN ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
2 PUBLIC'S COMMENT, WHERE HE WAS ASKING ABOUT INEFFICIENCIES IN
3 THE JOB-ORDER CONTRACTING PROGRAM THAT MIGHT BE LOSING FUNDS
4 FOR THE COUNTY THAT COULD THEN BE APPLIED TO THE HOMELESSNESS
5 CRISIS, NOT TO THE JAIL CONSTRUCTION. IT DID READ -- THAT'S
6 ERIC PREVEN, BY THE WAY, THAT ONE. IT GOT SLIGHTLY MIS-
7 JUMBLED. AND THEN I THOUGHT THE OTHER GUY, MR. MAIZLISH, WHO
8 WAS COMMENTING ON STATE FUNDING, IT KIND OF -- HIS COMMENT WAS
9 REDUCED TO NO CONTENT. IT JUST SORT OF SAID MORE CLARITY, BUT
10 IT LEFT OUT THE ACTUAL CONTENT. AND THEN I SAW MONICA ALCARAZ,
11 THE PRESIDENT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. THAT WAS THE WOMAN
12 WHO TRIED TO FRY ME ON THOSE ELECTIONEERING CHARGES. THAT'S
13 FUNNY. BUT ANYWAY, I DID WANT TO POSITIVE ON ONE POSITIVE
14 THING IN THE LAST MINUTE, WHICH IS THE FOLLOWING. I ALSO
15 RAISED UP IN MAY THAT THIS GUN- VIOLENCE PROBLEM IN AMERICA IS
16 DEVASTATING. I THINK WE HAVE ALL BEEN UNITED IN HORROR IN THE
17 RECENT TURN OF EVENTS. AND I THOUGHT THAT BECAUSE THIS GROUP
18 DOES ENJOY A GOOD PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FROM TIME TO
19 TIME, I THOUGHT SINCE THE WORLD OVER, I THINK IT'S LIKE 395
20 BILLIONAIRES IN AMERICA WHO ONLY TAKE LETTERS FROM IMPORTANT
21 GROUPS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IF WE COULD RAISE UP A
22 SUGGESTION TO THE GROUP WHO HAS PLEDGED ALL THEIR BILLIONS --
23 THIS IS A GREAT IDEA. NOW, GIVE ME THE 15 SECONDS HERE. WE
24 HIRE A BUNCH OF YOUNG, SHARP, SMART PEOPLE AND WE SEND THEM
25 OUT TO THE GUN SHOWS TO BUY UP EVERY SINGLE ONE, EVERY SINGLE



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1 ASSAULT WEAPON WE CAN FIND. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE THAT MUCH,
2 BECAUSE THESE PEOPLE SELL. ONCE WE GET ALL THOSE OUT OF THE
3 WAY, ALL WE NEED TO DO IS WORK ON SOME STRONG LEGISLATION AND
4 REGULATION SO THAT WHEN YOU BUY SOME KIND OF A CRAZY WEAPON,
5 YOU NEED A YEAR OF CHECKING, LIKE IN EUROPE AND OTHER PLACES.

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7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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9 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS A GREAT IDEA. FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO
10 THE FOLKS ON THE PLEDGE. THAT WOULD BE..

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12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS, THIS IS A
13 RECEIVE AND FILE. I HAVE A MOTION. SECONDED. WITHOUT
14 OBJECTION.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

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18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ITEM NO. 3.

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS OUR RECOMMENDED
21 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 RECOMMENDED COUNTY
22 BUDGET. BUT I DO WANT TO BRING OUT ONE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 3,
23 PAGE 18 OF ATTACHMENT 1, THE SECOND ITEM FOR I.S.D., INSTEAD
24 OF ALLOCATING THE \$320,000 TO I.S.D., I WOULD RECOMMEND MOVING



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1 IT TO THE PROVISIONAL FINANCING USED BUDGET UNIT. WITH THAT, I
2 PUT THE ITEM BEFORE YOU.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD?
5 OKAY. WE'LL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT. ROY RANDALL. ERIC PREVEN.
6 KAREN MOTIS. CONNIE HAN AND NATALIE BETSY.

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8 **ROY RANDALL:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME MAYOR. MY NAME IS ROY
9 RANDALL. I'M AN ATTORNEY FOR THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
10 DEPARTMENT AND A BOARD MEMBER OF OUR NEW UNION AND
11 A.F.S.C.M.E. BARGAINING UNIT. ON BEHALF OF THE UNION, I'M HERE
12 TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND TO ASK YOU TO APPROVE OUR
13 DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED BUDGET WITH RESPECT TO ATTORNEY NEW
14 HIRES. THIS TIME LAST YEAR, I WAS PART OF A GROUP OF UNION
15 REPRESENTATIVES VISITING EACH OF YOUR DEPUTIES ASKING FOR
16 SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE. WE WERE EXTREMELY CONCERNED THAT THE
17 DWINDLING NUMBER OF LINE ATTORNEYS IN OUR DEPARTMENT WAS
18 BEGINNING TO HAVE A SEVERE IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO SERVE THE
19 PUBLIC AND YOUR CONSTITUENTS. WE EXPLAINED THAT THERE HAVE
20 BEEN NO NEW HIRES IN 8 YEARS, THAT OUR AVERAGE AGE WAS OVER 50
21 YEARS OLD, THAT MANY OF US WOULD BE RETIRING IN 5 TO 7 YEARS,
22 AND THERE WAS NO SUCCESSION PLAN. MANY OF US WERE AND STILL
23 ARE WORKING OUT OF CLASS JUST TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC WAS
24 SERVED. WE TALKED ABOUT THE LACK OF PARITY. WE DISCUSSED THE
25 ONGOING MARGINALIZATION OF ATTORNEYS AND THE POSITION OF OUR



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1 DEPARTMENT MANAGEMENT THAT WE ARE NOT A LEGAL DEPARTMENT,
2 DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE WERE CREATED BY AND MUST OPERATE
3 UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW. SO, TODAY WE'RE HERE MARKING AN EVENT OF
4 SIGNIFICANCE TO BOTH US AND TO THE PUBLIC. IN THE PROPOSED
5 BUDGET, OUR DEPARTMENT IS PLANNING TO HIRE NEW ATTORNEYS FOR
6 THE FIRST TIME IN ALMOST 10 YEARS. IT'S A MAJOR STEP FORWARD.
7 WE FORMALLY ANNOUNCED OUR INTENTION TO ORGANIZE IN 2014 AND
8 SIGNED OUR FIRST M.O.U. IN 2015. SINCE THAT TIME, THERE'S BEEN
9 A PROMOTIONAL EXAM, SUBSEQUENT PROMOTIONS OF ABOUT 12
10 ATTORNEYS, AND NOW THIS BUDGET PROPOSAL. MOREOVER, NOW THERE'S
11 AN OPEN LINE OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENT'S
12 MANAGEMENT AND ITS ATTORNEYS. THERE IS MORE WORK TO BE DONE,
13 BUT THIS IS A MAJOR STEP FORWARD. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU
14 FOR ALLOWING ACCESS TO YOUR DEPUTIES AND ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT,
15 CONTINUING SUPPORT.

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17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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19 **ROY RANDALL:** JUST ON A SMALL ADDITIONAL ITEM, THE SUPERIOR
20 COURT IS MOVING OUR OPERATIONS FROM THE C.C.W. COURTHOUSE TO
21 THE STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE. THERE APPARENTLY IS ROOM FOR THE
22 COMMISSIONERS, BUT THERE WAS LITTLE THOUGHT GIVEN TO WHERE WE
23 WERE GOING TO GO WITH ALL OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS. SO, WE'LL BE
24 ASKING FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE ON THAT ITEM, AS WELL, IN THE
25 FUTURE. THANK YOU.



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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, STANLEY MOSK IS VERY CONVENIENT, RIGHT
5 ACROSS FROM GRAND PARK. VERY EXCITING. THANK YOU, BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, FOR ONCE AGAIN PUTTING TOGETHER AN IMPRESSIVE
7 2016/17 BUDGET. WE ARE LOOKING AT \$28.724 BILLION. THAT MAY BE
8 THE WORLD'S, THE BIGGEST ONE, BUT I'M NOT SURE, ACTUALLY.
9 EXCELLENT WORK. AND ADDING 900 JOBS, I DO THINK ORDINANCE
10 POSITIONS IS SUPPORTABLE. THE ONE THOUGHT THAT ALWAYS COMES
11 UP, AND IF SACHS WERE HERE, I KNOW HE WOULD BRING IT UP, IS,
12 WHAT IS THE UNFILLED POSITION TO ORDINANCE POSITION NUMBERS
13 LOOK LIKE, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO TRACK THAT. I'M CONCERNED THAT
14 WE'RE NOT FILLING FAST ENOUGH AND YET PILING UP EVEN HIGHER.
15 SO, THAT IS SOMETHING WE HAVE TO LOOK AT. NOW, THE BUDGET FOR
16 THE NEW SUPERVISORS, I'M ADDRESSING MAINLY MS. SUPERVISORS
17 SOLIS AND KUEHL, THERE ARE A FEW ITEMS IN HERE THAT IT'S
18 ALWAYS A GOOD IDEA TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ALL THE
19 INFORMATION SINCE YOU'RE RELATIVELY NEW TO THE COUNTY. SO, I
20 WOULD ASK, IN CONNECTION WITH THAT AND THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET IN
21 GENERAL, I'M GOING TO SAY SOMETHING THAT IS NOT CONTROVERSIAL
22 BUT IT IS A FACT. THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET IS VAST. AND THE
23 SHERIFF HAS BEEN, I DON'T WANT TO SAY MOCKING THE PUBLIC FOR A
24 NUMBER OF YEARS -- HISTORICALLY, STRUCTURALLY, IT'S NOT
25 PERSONAL AT ALL. IT'S JUST THERE'S A LOT OF BEEF IN THERE, AND



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1 NOBODY CAN REALLY KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IT IS. SO, WHEN HE ASKS
2 FOR THINGS, HE'S VERY POLITE, AND WE ALWAYS HAVE TO GIVE. AND
3 THEN WHAT WE HAVE IS A MASS OF THINGS. LIKE, I DIDN'T GET A
4 CHANCE TO COMMENT ON ITEM NUMBER \$1. 44 IN THAT GROUP IS \$8.5
5 MILLION FOR PRIVATE SECURITY IN CONNECTION. IT'S LIKE, WHOA,
6 THAT'S A BIG NUMBER TO JUST GO.. AS NOBODY IS LOOKING. BUT
7 BECAUSE IT'S SUCH A BIG NUMBER, EVERYTHING LOOKS SMALL. SO, I
8 WOULD JUST SIMPLY SAY IN CONNECTION WITH THAT THAT I KNOW ON
9 YOUR AGENDAS COMING UP, YOU'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT THE
10 EQUIPMENT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, ALL THOSE THINGS. THE
11 EQUIPMENT, YOU HAVE TO TAKE A FRONT SEAT ON TASERS. YOU NEED
12 TO CALL MAYOR GARCETTI AND SAY, "GUYS, YOU GOT A LITTLE
13 SITUATION WITH THE BODYCAM DEAL." THE BODYCAM DEAL HAS 4,400
14 TASERS IN IT. AND EVEN AS THE COUNTY IS WONDERING ABOUT ALL
15 THESE THINGS AND CONSIDERING ALL THESE THINGS, WE HAVE TO BE
16 UNITED IN REDUCING THE NUMBER OF TASERS FROM 4,400 DOWN TO
17 ABOUT 1,000 AT L.A.P.D. I REALIZE YOU'RE LIKE THIS IS NOT OUR
18 JURISDICTION, BUT IT'S ONE BIG, HAPPY FAMILY.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. KARIN MOTIS, CONNIE
21 HAHN, NATALIE BESSIE. OKAY, YOU'RE WAIVING? OKAY. ALL RIGHT.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR?

25



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR?

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S A QUESTION I WANTED TO POSE WITH
4 RESPECT TO THE ALLOCATION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE
5 CONFIGURATION OR BEEFING UP OF PATROLS IN THOSE RESPECTIVE
6 AREAS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND OF COURSE, THE AGGRAVATED
7 ASSAULTS AND ROBBERIES AND GRAND THEFT AUTOS, ARSON, THE RANGE
8 OF THINGS, GANG-RELATED ACTIVITY, THE DATA THAT I AM REVIEWING
9 SUGGESTS THERE MAY BE SOME DIFFICULTY WITH THE DISTRIBUTION AS
10 IT IS POSED, AS IT IS PROPOSED IN ITEM NO. 3. AND SO, WITH
11 RESPECT TO THE ALLOCATION, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WANTED TO
12 ABSTAIN, AND THAT BALANCE CAN GO FORWARD. BUT I DO WISH TO
13 CALL TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION THAT WE DO NEED
14 TO HAVE A CONVERSATION THAT FOLLOWS UP ON JUSTIFICATION, THAT
15 IS TO SAY, THE RATIONALE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION IN THE
16 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THAT IS, THE DEPLOYMENT AND REDEPLOYMENT
17 OF PATROLS. SECOND DISTRICT HAS SOME SPECIFIC QUESTIONS OR
18 CONCERNS. WE BEGAN THAT CONVERSATION WITH LEADERSHIP IN THE
19 SOUTHERN PORTION OF OUR COUNTY. BUT RATHER THAN TRY TO RE-
20 NEGOTIATE ALL OF THAT HERE, IT SEEMS TO ME, MADAME CHAIR, THE
21 BEST COURSE OF ACTION IS FOR ME TO ABSTAIN, PUNCTUATE THE
22 POINT THIS IS NOT SQUARING WITH THE EXPECTATIONS THAT WE HAVE
23 AND PROCEED TO RECTIFY IT IN THE FUTURE MOTION, SHOULD THAT BE
24 DEEMED ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT'S FINE. IT'S BEEN MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MARK RIDLEY-
3 THOMAS NOT VOTING ON THAT PARTICULAR ITEM, AND WE'LL MOVE
4 FORWARD. SO, YES, AND WITH THE CHANGES THAT WERE OUTLINED BY
5 SACHI HAMAI ON MOVING TRANSFER OF THAT MONEY, \$120,000. THANK
6 YOU. OKAY, ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY. THAT ITEM IS MOVED, AS
7 RECORDED.

8

9 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. ON ITEM NO. 5, THESE
10 ARE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS WHICH WERE DEFERRED TO BUDGET
11 DELIBERATIONS. SO, ITEM NO. 5 IS THE CONSIDERATION OF
12 ADDITIONAL MARINA DEL REY REVENUES RESULTING FROM -- I'M
13 SORRY? OH, I'M SORRY. I MISSED -- YOU'RE CORRECT. I MISSED NO.
14 4. THESE ARE THE REVISIONS, ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES TO THE
15 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S BUDGET, RECOMMENDATIONS AS DEEMED
16 NECESSARY.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, I ALSO WANTED TO ASK, BEFORE I
19 CALL UP PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM, YOU WERE ALL PRETTY
20 AWARE THAT IN THIS LAST WEEK WE SAW SOME STARTLING NEWS IN
21 BRITAIN AS THEY PULLED OUT OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND SET OFF A
22 CASCADE OF AFTERSHOCKS, INCLUDING PLUNGING THE FINANCIAL
23 MARKETS. EVEN TODAY, WE KNOW THAT OUR STOCK MARKET IS FACING
24 SOME CHALLENGES. I WOULD LIKE AT THIS TIME, WITH THE BOARD'S
25 PERMISSION, TO ASK FOR SOME EXPERTS THAT WE'VE CALLED UPON TO



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1 GIVE US A VERY BRIEF KIND OF JUST OVERVIEW OF WHAT IS
2 HAPPENING, SO WE CAN, AS WE PREPARE, HOW WE MOVE ALONG THE
3 LINE IN TERMS THE OF NEXT FEW MONTHS WHAT WE NEED TO BE
4 LOOKING FOR. WE DID GET A GREAT MEMO FROM OUR TREASURER
5 EARLIER IN THE WEEK, WHICH WAS VERY DETAILING AND VERY
6 REVEALING. BUT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD AT THIS TIME TO CALL
7 UP SOME EXPERTS THAT WE COULD CALL ON. SO, I'D LIKE TO ASK
8 CHRISTINE COOPER, CHIEF ECONOMIST FOR L.A. E.D.C., AND JEFF
9 ASSAF FROM I.C.G. TO PLEASE COME FORWARD AT THIS TIME. AND
10 GIVEN THAT WE ARE MOVING RATHER RAPIDLY, I COULD ASK YOU TO
11 SPLIT NO MORE THAN 7 MINUTES BETWEEN YOU? SO, 3-1/2, 3-1/2?
12 YES, GO AHEAD.

13

14 **JEFF ASSAF:** THIS JUST GOT PLANNED LATE YESTERDAY, SO I DIDN'T
15 GET THE CHANCE TO ACTUALLY REVIEW THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO.
16 BUT THE MEMO THAT JOE WROTE THAT YOU JUST REFERRED TO, I SAW
17 IT THIS MORNING. AND THE COMMENT I MADE TO ONE OF HIS
18 COLLEAGUES IS THAT EVERYTHING HE SAID, I AGREE WITH. I DON'T
19 THINK THAT, FROM A SUPERVISORY PERSPECTIVE, YOU NEED TO BE
20 CONCERNED ABOUT THE VALUE OF THOSE SHORT-TERM SECURITIES THAT
21 ARE SECURITIES OF BRITISH BANKS THAT APPARENTLY MOST OF THEM
22 ARE MATURING IN THE NEXT MONTH. WHAT'S GOING ON IN BRITAIN,
23 WHICH MAY NOT EVEN HAPPEN, BUT IF IT DOES, IS GOING TO TAKE
24 QUITE SOME TIME, AND IT'S NOT ANYTHING THAT'S GOING TO BE



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1 PROBLEMATIC TO YOUR INVESTMENTS TODAY, OR THIS YEAR, IN MY
2 JUDGMENT.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, THEN.

5

6 **CHRISTINE COOPER:** GOOD MORNING. CHRISTINE COOPER, LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. I THINK WHEN WE'RE
8 LOOKING AT THESE EVENTS, WE'RE THINKING ABOUT HOW THAT IMPACTS
9 OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. AND AS JEFF SAID, WE REALLY DON'T KNOW, AND
10 IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG TERM BEFORE WE FIGURE THIS OUT AND
11 BEFORE EVENTS OCCUR. THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF VOLATILITY IN THE
12 MARKET, HOWEVER. AND WE JUST COMPLETED AN F.D.I. STUDY, A
13 STUDY OF FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND
14 ALSO AN INTERNATIONAL TRADE OUTLOOK, WHICH, AS YOU KNOW, TRADE
15 IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF OUR ECONOMY HERE. BUT WE DO THINK
16 THAT THE RELATIVE EFFECTS OF ANYTHING THAT ARE REALLY
17 CURRENTLY OCCURRING IN EUROPE WILL HAVE A RELATIVELY MINOR
18 IMPACT ON THE LOS ANGELES ECONOMY, BECAUSE WE HAVE MUCH LARGER
19 TRADING PARTNERS IN EFFECT AND INVESTMENT PARTNERS. SO,
20 HOPEFULLY THE EFFECTS ON THE L.A. ECONOMY WILL BE MINIMAL. BUT
21 I DID WANT TO SUGGEST ANOTHER AREA, AND THIS MAY NOT BE
22 APPROPRIATE ENTIRELY FOR A BUDGET COMMITTEE, BUT THERE ARE
23 MANY SUPERVISORS HERE TODAY, THAT THE MESSAGE THAT WAS SENT
24 WAS REALLY A VOTE AGAINST GLOBALIZATION, WHICH, YOU KNOW, THIS
25 IS A VERY -- IT'S A VERY IMPACTFUL VOTE THAT WE HEARD THE



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1 PEOPLE SPEAK. AND WE'RE ALWAYS MENTIONING IT HERE IN L.A.,
2 BECAUSE L.A. IS THE CENTER OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMY. AND WE DO
3 BELIEVE THAT GLOBALIZATION AND TRADE IS A GOOD THING, BUT WE
4 ALSO KNOW THAT TRADE AND GLOBALIZATION HAS WINNERS AND LOSERS.
5 AND THIS WAS A VOTE BY THE LOSERS, BASICALLY. AND SO, WE
6 REALLY NEED TO BE COGNIZANT OF THAT, AS LEADERS IN THIS
7 COMMUNITY, TO BE ABLE TO REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO
8 ARE BEING LEFT BEHIND.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND, MEMBERS, MY INTEREST HERE WAS JUST
11 LOOKING AHEAD IN TERMS OF WHERE WE GO WITH OUR INVESTMENTS. IN
12 AUGUST, I BELIEVE, THAT'S WHEN THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
13 MAKE THOSE DECISIONS IN TERMS OF OUR PENSION PLANS, AND
14 OBVIOUSLY PEOPLE ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN WITH
15 THEIR 401(K) PLANS, AS WELL. SO, THAT WAS ONE OF THE REASONS
16 WHY I WANTED TO ASK FOR YOUR INPUT. BUT THIS WILL BE SOMETHING
17 THAT WILL BE REOCCURING, I'M SURE, AND WE'LL HAVE A FULL
18 PRESENTATION ONCE OUR TREASURER IS BACK.

19

20 **JEFF ASSAF:** IF I COULD MAKE ONE OTHER COMMENT?

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

23

24 **JEFF ASSAF:** I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT FOR THOSE THAT ARE
25 WATCHING THE MARKETS, THE ONLY REACTION THAT IS --



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1 UNPRECEDENTED IS THE WRONG WORD -- BUT THE ONLY REACTION THAT
2 IS MORE THAN MARKET NOISE IS WHAT THE BRITISH POUND HAS DONE
3 IN TERMS OF LOSING SO MUCH OF ITS VALUE SO QUICKLY. THE STOCK
4 MARKET MOVES ARE, HONESTLY, JUST ALMOST RANDOM NOISE. THE
5 MOVES ARE 2 PERCENT, 3 PERCENT. THEY'RE NOT SIGNIFICANT. THIS
6 IS NOT A CRISIS. AND I DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO TURN INTO
7 ONE. SO, I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT TO BE AWARE OF.

8

9 **CHRISTINE COOPER:** EXCEPT FOR TODAY.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I JUST HAD A FURTHER QUESTION. I DON'T KNOW
14 IF IT CAN BE ANSWERED TODAY, BUT I THINK IT WILL BE GOOD FOR
15 US TO KNOW, AND THAT IS THE IMPACT ON THE STATE AND HOW THAT
16 MIGHT HAVE, I GUESS YOU'D CALL IT A TRICKLE- DOWN EFFECT, IF
17 ANY, ON US. I THINK THAT WOULD ALSO BE GOOD TO KNOW, BECAUSE
18 WE HAD A REPORT FROM JOE, BUT NOTHING FROM THE STATE SO FAR.

19

20 **CHRISTINE COOPER:** SUPERVISOR, ARE YOU REFERRING TO THE STATE
21 BUDGET?

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** STATE BUDGET, ANY INVESTMENT, ANYTHING THAT
24 MIGHT AFFECT -- I DON'T MEAN PRIVATE TRADE, BECAUSE I THINK
25 THAT, IN AND OF ITSELF, IT AFFECTS TANGENTIALLY BUT NOT REALLY



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1 OUR BUDGET. BUT I THINK THE STATE BUDGET, I DON'T KNOW WHAT
2 THEY HAVE INVESTED, WHERE THEY HAVE IT INVESTED.

3

4 **CHRISTINE COOPER:** YEAH, I'M NOT AWARE OF THE STATE-BUDGET
5 INVESTMENT POSITION IN FOREIGN HOLDINGS.

6

7 **JEFF ASSAF:** I'M NOT EITHER, BUT I'M SURE IT'S PUBLICALLY
8 AVAILABLE, AND I'D BE HAPPY TO LOOK AT IT AND COMMENT FOR YOU.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL, BECAUSE I
11 ALWAYS HAVE JUST A MOMENT OF DOUBT WHEN SOMEONE SAYS, "YOU
12 KNOW, THIS ISN'T GOING TO IMPACT US AT ALL." SO, I BELIEVE
13 YOU, BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD TO SEE IT IN KIND OF A
14 SLIGHTLY WIDER FIELD, WHAT MIGHT BE SOME OF THE PRESSURES ON
15 THE COUNTY BUDGET AND THE COUNTY FISC.

16

17 **JEFF ASSAF:** OKAY.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT MIGHT BE A REPORT THAT WE GET BACK
20 ALSO WITH OUR LEG TEAM. THEY CAN START PERHAPS LOOKING AT
21 THAT. OKAY, VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING ON SUCH
22 SHORT NOTICE.

23

24 **JEFF ASSAF:** SURE.

25



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE ALSO HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER, ERIC
2 PREVEN, NOW ON THIS ITEM.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** MADAME CHAIR, THIS IS ITEM 4. I HAVE NOT SEEN THE
5 DOCUMENT, SO I'M NOT SURE THAT I'M ABLE TO COMMENT. I'M HAPPY
6 TO STAND DOWN. BUT HAS THERE BEEN REVISIONS, AS NEEDED, BY THE
7 C.E.O.?

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SO FAR TODAY THERE HAVE BEEN NO
10 REVISIONS. IT'S JUST AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO PUT
11 FORWARD THEIR REVISIONS IF THEY CHOOSE.

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY, COOL. SO, THAT'S LIKE AN EXAMINATION WITH
14 NO CORRECTIONS. EXCELLENT. I WILL STAND DOWN, THEN, FOR THE
15 MOMENT.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. DO
18 WE HAVE A MOTION? QUESTIONS?

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ON ITEM NO. 4, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE A
21 MOTION FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION. IT'S BEEN SHARED. TITLED
22 "ENSURING REGULAR REPORTS ON BOARD-IDENTIFIED PRIORITY AREAS."
23 IN JUNE, THAT IS, JULY THE 7TH, 2015, THE BOARD ADOPTED
24 RECOMMENDATIONS TO AMEND THE L.A. COUNTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE
25 TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE SERVICE DELIVERY, EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF



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1 LIMITED RESOURCES, AND TIMELY IMPLEMENTATION OF BOARD POLICY
2 DIRECTIVES. PART OF THE GOVERNANCE CHAINS, THE BOARD
3 AUTHORIZED THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ESTABLISH AD HOC
4 INITIATIVES IN ORDER TO ADDRESSEE EMERGENT BOARD PRIORITIES.
5 AT THAT TIME, THE THREE MAJOR PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED INCLUDED
6 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, STRENGTHENING, THAT IS, THE
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REFORM, THE STRENGTHENING OF THE CHILD
8 WELFARE SYSTEM, AND HEALTH SERVICES INTEGRATION. SHORTLY
9 THEREAFTER, A FOURTH PRIORITY, HOMELESSNESS, WAS IDENTIFIED,
10 AND A HOMELESS INITIATIVE WAS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE OFFICE OF
11 THE C.E.O. FOR THE PAST YEAR, THE BOARD HAS APPROVED THE
12 ALLOCATION OF A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL AND HUMAN
13 RESOURCES TO EACH OF THESE PRIORITY AREAS AND DEDICATED
14 CONSIDERABLE TIME AND ATTENTION TO THESE INITIATIVES DURING
15 ITS MEETINGS. TO ENSURE THAT THE BOARD IS REGULARLY UPDATED ON
16 THESE PRIORITIES, I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE THAT REGULAR
17 REPORTS BE PROVIDED ON THE STATUS OF PROGRESS, DEVELOPMENTS,
18 OR CHALLENGES IN THESE THREE AREAS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE
19 BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO REPORT ON THE -- REPORT TO THE
20 BOARD AT ITS FIRST REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IN THE NEW
21 FISCAL YEAR REGARDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CHILD WELFARE
22 SYSTEM, HEALTH SERVICES INTEGRATION, AND HOMELESS AND AD HOC
23 INITIATIVES THAT WERE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD IN ITS
24 PRIORITIES, THEN TO PROVIDE SEMIANNUAL REPORTS ON AD HOC



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1 INITIATIVES TO THE BOARD AT ITS REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS.

2 THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION, MADAME CHAIR.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

5

6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** JUST A QUESTION. I THINK THE FIRST
7 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IN THE NEW FISCAL YEAR IS JULY
8 5TH, CORRECT, SO, THAT'S A WEEK FROM TOMORROW AND A HALF-DAY
9 MEETING. I WASN'T CERTAIN -- IT SEEMED LIKE -- I GUESS I WOULD
10 ASK WHETHER WE COULD GET A FULL REPORT IN 8 DAYS.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** I WOULD ASK THE BOARD IF WE COULD PUT
13 THIS ON JULY 12TH, WHICH WOULD BE A FULL-DAY MEETING. I THINK
14 THAT ON JULY 5TH, THERE'S ALSO A COUPLE OTHER LARGE ITEMS FOR
15 THAT DATE. SO, AT LEAST FOR THE FIRST REPORT..

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES..

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ..IF IT COULD BE PUSHED TO JULY 12TH.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ..WITHOUT OBJECTION, MADAME CHAIR. THE
22 OBJECTIVE IS ESSENTIALLY TO REGULARIZE THESE REPORTS SO THAT
23 WE CAN KEEP TRACK OF OUR PRIORITIES.

24



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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED WITH THAT NOTED AMENDMENT. ARE THERE
3 ANY OBJECTIONS TO THIS ITEM? HEARING NONE, THIS ITEM PASSES.
4 MEMBERS, I ALSO HAVE..

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ..A SLIGHT AMENDMENT, AS WELL, THAT I'D
9 LIKE TO INTRODUCE AT THIS TIME, AND IT'S BASED AROUND THESE
10 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ISSUES THAT WE HAVE BEEN FACED WITH IN
11 THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF. YOU RECALL THE ISSUE THAT IS ONGOING
12 WITH ALISO CANYON, EXIDE BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT IN VERNON AND
13 NOW KEMETCO AND THE LATEST ONE IS THE FRUITLAND FIRE IN
14 MAYWOOD WITH RESPECT TO THE FACTORY THAT WAS BURNING
15 MAGNESIUM. IT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT THIS IS SOMETHING
16 THAT I KNOW OUR STAFF AND OTHERS AND COUNTY COUNSEL WE'VE
17 TALKED ABOUT. YET, WE REALLY DO NEED TO WRAP OUR ARMS AROUND
18 THIS. AND IT IS A PRIORITY BECAUSE WE ARE MAKING BUDGET
19 DECISIONS ON IT, BUT IT IS INCREASINGLY BECOMING MORE OF
20 CONCERN, AND I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE THINK ABOUT
21 PRIORITIZING THIS. AND I'D LIKE TO MOVE THIS ITEM AND ASK THAT
22 WE ADOPT THIS AMENDMENT. AND I WOULD-- IT SIMPLY STATES THAT
23 "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE RECOGNIZE
24 ENVIRONMENTAL-HEALTH OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING AS A FIFTH
25 PRIORITY ALONG WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REFORM, CHILD



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1 WELFARE, HEALTH SERVICES INTEGRATION, AND HOMELESSNESS IN THE
2 COUNTY GOVERNANCE MODEL." OKAY, IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED,
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION. THANK YOU. OKAY, MEMBERS, WE HAVE SLATED
4 THIS ITEM. NOW WE CAN GO INTO ITEM NO. 5.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SO, WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEMS FROM
7 PREVIOUS MEETINGS WHICH WERE DEFERRED TO BUDGET DELIBERATIONS,
8 ITEMS 5 AND 6. ON ITEM NO. 5, THIS IS THE CONSIDERATION OF THE
9 ADDITIONAL MARINA DEL REY REVENUES RESULTING FROM MARINA DEL
10 REY LEASEHOLD EXTENSIONS AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNTS ON THIS. THE
11 REPORT WAS PROVIDED BY OUR DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS.
12 THE TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT ON THIS IS JUST A LITTLE OVER \$624
13 MILLION. IT IS A RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE DO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. ERIC
16 PREVEN. SO ACKNOWLEDGED.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** RIGHT. AND I ALSO JUST WANT TO SAY AGAIN, BECAUSE
19 I HAD SIGNED UP FOR ITEM 4 AND THEN MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS MADE A
20 MOTION AFTER I HAD ALREADY SPOKEN SAYING, WELL, THERE ARE NO
21 MOTIONS. SO, JUST IN RESPECT TO HIS MOTION, AN ADVISORY GROUP
22 THAT'S GOING TO HAVE THE SEMIANNUAL MEETING SOUNDS GREAT, BUT
23 IT CANNOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ADVISORY AD HOC COMMITTEE UNDER
24 THE BROWN ACT, BECAUSE THOSE DO NOT -- LIKE ARE NOT
25 SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE BROWN ACT. AND THAT WOULD BE VERY WEIRD TO



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1 HAVE ALL THOSE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES GO UP TO HER OFFICE
2 WITHOUT THE PUBLIC. BUT MOVING ON TO ITEM 5, AND I DO
3 APPRECIATE THAT, MA'AM, THIS IS A SUBSTANTIAL LOOK AT THE
4 EXCESS REVENUE THAT WE DIDN'T QUITE ANTICIPATE OFF OF THE
5 PARCELS IN THE MARINA, FOR VARIOUS REASONS. YOU'LL NOTICE
6 THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, \$3,000 BUCKS ON PARCEL 52.G.G. IS ONE THAT
7 SENDS ME DIRECTLY INTO THE CEILING PANELS, BECAUSE IT'S NO
8 MONEY, BUT THIS GROUP HAS BEEN MIRED IN CONTROVERSY. THEY WANT
9 TO PUT UP A BOAT CENTRAL, I BELIEVE, IF I'VE GOT THE PARCEL
10 RIGHT, WHICH IS VALET BOATING SERVICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE
11 PUBLIC, WHICH, OF COURSE, IS A TERRIBLE IDEA THAT I HAVE BEEN
12 FIGHTING AT EVERY POSSIBLE LEVEL. SO, BUT THE BIG PICTURE HERE
13 IS WE HAVE TREASURED PARTNERS IN THE MARINA THAT, AS
14 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND TORIE OSBORN BOTH KNOW, THEY ARE IN A
15 CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE NOW, AND THAT IS ABOUT DEVELOPMENT.
16 AND WE WANT DEVELOPMENT, BECAUSE IT IS MARINA DEL REY AND WE
17 HAVE TO MAKE IT NICE, BUT WE ALSO HAVE TO PROTECT THE
18 ESSENTIAL ASPECT OF IT. AND THERE HAVE BEEN DEALS OVER THE
19 YEARS THAT ADJUST THE DEAL SO THAT THEY WILL FLIP THESE
20 PARCELS AMONGST ONE ANOTHER AND THE COUNTY GETS A CHA-CHING,
21 BUT IT'S A SMALL CHA-CHING. WE NEED TO SORT OF ADJUST THAT
22 OVER TIME. AND THESE DEALS WHEN THEY COME UP IS THE TIME TO DO
23 IT. WE HAVE WORKING ON THIS PROJECT MR. RICHARD VOLPERT, WHO
24 IS ONE OF THE MOST ESTEEMED APPRAISERS WORKING FOR THE COUNTY.
25 HE IS ALSO THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY GRAND POOBAH. SO, MR.



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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS CERTAINLY KNOWS ABOUT HIM. HE CREATED THE \$1-
2 MILLION STRUCTURAL EVERY YEAR INTO THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL
3 HISTORY, AND LATER AT MY REMARKS, YOU'LL HEAR MY WIDESPREAD
4 PROPOSAL TO MAKE THAT FREE, BECAUSE AT THE MOMENT, IT'S LIKE
5 TWO CITIES, WHERE PEOPLE CAN ALL GO TO THE SCIENCE CENTER FOR
6 FREE, BUT ONLY PEOPLE WHO HAVE \$15 BUCKS IN THEIR POCKET CAN
7 BRING THE KIDS TO THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY SOMETIMES. AND
8 WE CAN CHANGE THAT. SO, ANYWAY, ON THESE PARCELS AND MARINA,
9 TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AND BLOCK BOAT CENTRAL. THANK YOU.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY, THIS ITEM IS
12 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED. IT IS A RECEIVE AND FILE
13 ITEM. WITHOUT OBJECTION. LET'S MOVE ON. ITEM 6.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS THE C.E.O.'S AND
16 SHERIFF'S REPORT BACK REGARDING A DEPLOYMENT STRATEGY AND PLAN
17 TO INCREASE PATROL DEPUTIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS.
18 AGAIN, THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT? HEARING NONE,
21 ALL MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.
22 OKAY, MOVING ON TO ITEM NO. 7.

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ON ITEMS 7 THROUGH 10, THESE ARE OUR
25 BUDGET ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE THE BOARD. ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS IS



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1 TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR OUR FISCAL YEAR
2 '16/'17 BUDGET. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS.
5 THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION.

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8 **SACHI HANAI, C.E.O.:** ON ITEM NO. 8, THIS IS TO APPROVE THE
9 REVISED FIGURES IN THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR '16/'17
10 AND INSTRUCT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO PREPARE AND PRESENT THE
11 FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR BOARD ADOPTION. THAT ITEM IS
12 BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE DON'T HAVE ANY SPEAKERS ON THIS
15 ITEM. THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED,
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ON ITEM NO. 9..

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20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** 9.

21

22 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** ..THESE ARE MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS THAT ARE
23 BEFORE YOUR BOARD. I BELIEVE THERE'S ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER ON IT.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. AND, MEMBERS, I JUST WANTED TO
2 MENTION -- I KNOW THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE -- BUT I WANTED
3 TO HAVE KIND OF A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MUSIC CENTER AND
4 THE WALT DISNEY CONCERT HALL. I REALIZE IN REVIEWING THE
5 REPORT THAT MANY OF THE SERVICE CONTRACTS THAT HAVE BEEN IN
6 PLACE THERE HAVE EXISTED SINCE BACK IN 1999, AND THAT'S FOR
7 THE MUSIC CENTER AND FOR THE DISNEY HALL, 2003. SO, WE HAVEN'T
8 SEEN A CHANGE IN SOME OF THESE CONTRACTS FOR 17 YEARS. AND I
9 HAVE BEEN PONDERING THIS ISSUE ABOUT DISCUSSING PERHAPS IN THE
10 SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES THE FEASIBILITY OF MAKING SOME OF THESE
11 JOBS, IN PARTICULAR THE USHER JOBS, PART OF OUR EFFORT THAT
12 WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN TO UNDERTAKE, WHICH IS UTILIZING THE
13 W.E.O.A. PROGRAM, THE WELFARE TO WORK PROGRAMS AND OTHERS THAT
14 ARE A PART OF THAT COMPANION AND THAT REALLY LOOK AT HOW WE
15 CAN BEGIN TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION. IT WOULD BE GREAT TO BE
16 ABLE TO HIRE UP, IN A BROADER SENSE, IN A MORE STRATEGIC
17 MANNER AT-RISK YOUTH, VETERANS, AND PEOPLE WHO ARE CHRONICALLY
18 UNDEREMPLOYED THAT BENEFIT FROM OUR PROGRAMS. AND I HOPE THAT
19 WE CAN HAVE THAT DISCUSSION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL, IF THERE'S NO
20 OBJECTION TO THAT. SO, I WOULD ASK FOR OUR C.E.O. TO COME BACK
21 WITH SOMETHING ON THAT. YEAH, REPORT. OKAY, WE DO HAVE
22 QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE, AND THAT'S ERIC PREVEN AGAIN.
23
24 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.
25 THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO MAKE THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE



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1 BOARD. THIS IS THE ITEM WHERE I DETECTED THE AUTHORITY TO THE
2 C.E.O., WHO'S EXCELLENT, BY THE WAY. SHE'S DOING A GREAT JOB,
3 AND I THINK EVERYBODY IS GETTING READY FOR A BIG CELEBRATION.
4 BUT IT IS IMPORTANT AS NEW SUPERVISORS, IN MY VIEW, TO BE.. TO
5 LEARN. AND IT WOULD NOT BE PERCEIVED AS IMPROPER TO HAVE
6 SCRUTINY OVER THE WORK THAT SHE IS DOING OFF TO THE SIDE,
7 BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE A TREASURED RELATIONSHIP WITH HER
8 THAT WORKS VERY WELL, PEOPLE COME FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE
9 COUNTY IN DIFFERENT WAYS AND HAVE DIFFERENT LINKS AND
10 RELATIONSHIPS. AND THAT'S WHY VISIBILITY IS ALWAYS A GREAT
11 THING. SO, IN ITEMS 7, 8 AND 9, WHICH I'LL JUST CLARIFY, ITEM
12 7 IS WHERE WE'RE AUTHORIZING THE C.E.O., WHO I DON'T THINK
13 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS GOING TO ARGUE IS DOING A GREAT JOB, TO
14 APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTMENTS TO DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS
15 WITHOUT ANY MONETARY LIMITATONS FROM THE ALLOCATION WITH --
16 THIS IS THE KEY DETAIL -- CONTRACTED PROGRAM SERVICES' FUNDS
17 FOR EACH DISTRICT WITHIN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' BUDGET. SO,
18 THAT IS ALREADY APPROVED MONEY. I GET IT. BUT IT'S STILL
19 IMPORTANT TO KEEP AN EYE ON THAT. ALSO, AUTHORIZE THE C.E.O,
20 AND THIS IS NUMBER 8, TO APPROVE TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS
21 WITHIN A BUDGET UNIT. THAT'S A SMALLER, UP TO \$250 GRAND. SO,
22 THAT CAN GET A LOT DONE WITHOUT A LOT OF NOTICING. AND
23 FINALLY, ITEM NO. 9, AND, AGAIN, NOTHING PERSONAL AT ALL.
24 EVERYBODY IS DOING A GREAT JOB. AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO APPROVE TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS



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1 WITHIN A DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES GENERAL FUND, BECAUSE
2 HE HAS A VERY BIG BUDGET, A VERY NICE BUDGET, AND HE IS, AS WE
3 KNOW, THE MESSIAH, GENERALLY SPEAKING -- I'M TALKING ABOUT
4 MITCH KATZ -- OR THE ENTERPRISE FUND HOSPITAL BUDGET, UP TO,
5 AND HERE IT IS, A MILLION DOLLARS, BUT JUST IN A QUARTER. SO,
6 THAT WOULD ONLY BE \$4 MILLION A YEAR THAT COULD BE MOVED
7 THROUGH WITHOUT MUCH VISIBILITY. SO, MY RECOMMENDATION IS,
8 IT'S ALL GREAT, BUT WHY NOT JUST SIMPLY FOR A YEAR OR TWO DO
9 IT LIKE PLAY THE CARDS OPEN-HAND, YOU KNOW, AND THEN EVERYBODY
10 IS CLEAR, EVERYBODY IS HAPPY, THE PUBLIC IS CHERISHING MORE
11 ITEMS ON OUR AGENDA, EVERYBODY IS DANCING, AND I THINK THAT
12 THE PUBLIC IS VERY HAPPY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** MADAME CHAIR, THIS IS AN APPROVE ITEM.

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16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
17 KUEHL. THAT'S SECONDED BY KNABE, WITHOUT OBJECTION. AND THE
18 NEXT ITEM IS NUMBER 10.

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** SO, ON ITEM NO. 10, IF WE COULD CALL UP
21 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO PRESENT BEFORE YOU THE 16/'17
22 BUDGET.

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24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. JOHN NAIMO, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.
25 THE COUNTY KNOWS NICKELS AND DIMES. GOOD.



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2 **JOHN NAIMO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. JOHN NAIMO, AUDITOR-
3 CONTROLLER. THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPTED IN
4 APRIL HAS BEEN UPDATED TO REFLECT THE FINAL CHANGES AND OTHER
5 CHANGES THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVED THIS MORNING. THE FINAL
6 BUDGET, WHICH EXCEEDS \$28.7 BILLION, IS BALANCED AND IS READY
7 FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** I MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION.

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11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
12 SECONDED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE
13 ORDER.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** AND WITH THAT, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS
16 OF THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
17 ASSIST YOUR BOARD OF MEETING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE
18 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL
19 OF YOUR STAFF MEMBERS FOR WORKING WITH US TO GET THIS FINAL
20 BUDGET BEFORE YOU AND ALSO TO ALL THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AND
21 THEIR STAFF WHO HAVE WORKED SO CLOSELY WITH US ON THIS TIGHT
22 BUDGET, AND, LASTLY, TO THE C.E.O. TEAM WHO HAS DONE AN
23 EXCELLENT JOB IN CONTINUING TO PUT FORWARD A BALANCED BUDGET.
24 SO, THANK YOU AGAIN.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS, I JUST WANTED TO
4 COMMENT AND CONGRATULATE THE C.E.O. AND HER TEAM AND
5 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ALL THE STAFFS THAT WORK TOGETHER. THIS
6 WILL BE MY LAST BUDGET THAT I GET TO VOTE ON, AND IT'S BEEN
7 MUCH MORE PLEASANT TODAY THAN IT HAS BEEN IN THE PAST.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT HE STILL GETS TO SPEND.

10

11 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** WE DO HAVE SUPPLEMENTALS.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, A SUPPLEMENTAL HERE, BUT, I MEAN, THIS IS
14 THE BIGGIE. AND I JUST WANTED TO CONGRATULATE SACHI AND HER
15 TEAM AND HER COOPERATION WITH OUR STAFF, AND I ALSO WANTED TO
16 GIVE A SHOUTOUT TO CARL GALLUCCI AND MY STAFF, WHO HAVE DONE
17 ABOUT 20 OF THESE BUDGETS FOR ME AND APPRECIATE THAT, AS WELL,
18 TOO, AND RICK AND OUR ENTIRE TEAM. BUT JUST TO THANK YOU. YOU
19 KNOW, IT GOES BACK TO MY FIRST BUDGET WITH DAVID JANSSEN AND
20 HIS TEAM, DID A GREAT JOB, BILL FUJIOKA AND HIS TEAM, AND NOW
21 SACHI AND YOUR TEAM. CONGRATULATIONS, AND JUST BEEN AN HONOR
22 AND PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH YOU ON THIS. THANK YOU.

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** LIKEWISE. THANK YOU.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, I JUST WANT TO ALSO COMPLIMENT
2 OUR C.E.O. AND HER STAFF AND ALL OF OUR STAFFS, AS WELL, ALL
3 OUR BUDGET DEPUTIES, IN PARTICULAR, JAMES FLYNN ON MY STAFF,
4 WHO CAME OUT OF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE ORIGINALLY. HE'S BEEN VERY
5 HELPFUL IN MAKING SENSE OF ALL THIS FOR MYSELF AND MY STAFF.
6 AND I KNOW THERE'S SO MANY GOOD THINGS IN THIS BUDGET. AND I
7 WANTED TO JUST BRIEFLY TOUCH ON THEM, BECAUSE I THINK IT IS
8 IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE REFLECTION OF THE
9 BUDGET IS WHO WE ARE. THAT'S OUR PLAN MOVING FORWARD. AND ONE
10 OF THE THINGS THAT I WANTED TO NOTE IS THAT WE ARE ADDRESSING
11 NEEDS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, IN PARTICULAR, THE SHERIFF
12 DEPUTY'S AUGMENTATION. THAT'S BEEN A CONCERN OF MINE FOR THE
13 LAST TWO YEARS, WHERE WE'VE SEEN AN UPTICK. BUT MORE
14 IMPORTANTLY, WE FOUND SOME VERY INTERESTING INFORMATION THAT
15 LED US TO BELIEVE THAT WE REALLY WERE NOT BEING ADEQUATELY
16 STAFFED IN THOSE AREAS. THOSE AREAS ARE BEING ADDRESSED NOW,
17 AND THIS BUDGET WILL HELP US GET THERE. I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND
18 YOUR STAFF AND OURS FOR WORKING ON ADDING ZONING ENFORCEMENT
19 OFFICERS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH GRAFFITI REMOVAL AND
20 ABATEMENT. THAT'S BEEN AN ONGOING PROBLEM, I THINK, IN A LOT
21 OF OUR DISTRICTS, AND ALL OF US CAN BENEFIT. HOPEFULLY IF
22 THERE'S A NEED, WE'LL BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THAT. SO,
23 I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND THEN ALSO, JUST
24 MENTION THAT THE PARKS AFTER DARK PROGRAM HAS A TREMENDOUS
25 BENEFIT FOR SO MANY OF US. AND I'M VERY HAPPY AND PLEASED WITH



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1 THE DIRECTION THAT YOU AND YOUR STAFF HAVE TAKEN TO HELP US
2 FULFILL THAT. THERE ARE GOING TO BE MANY MORE PARKS THAT ARE
3 GOING TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT EFFORT, AND I THINK IT'S A
4 WIN/WIN. IT'S GOING TO HELP REDUCE GANG VIOLENCE, PROVIDE
5 JOBS, AND ALSO PROVIDE THOSE KIND OF VENUES FOR PEOPLE THAT
6 DON'T NORMALLY GET TO GET OUT OF THEIR HOMES AND GO SOMEWHERE
7 AND KIND OF RECREATE AND SHARE WITH COMMUNITY. SO, I COMMEND
8 YOU FOR THAT. I ALSO APPRECIATE THE ONGOING AND ONE-TIME
9 FUNDING TO EXPAND OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS REGARDING PROPOSITION
10 47. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. AND LIKEWISE, FULFILLING
11 THE CORONER'S NEEDS. I KNOW THAT'S A WORK IN PROGRESS, BUT I
12 DO BELIEVE THAT A NUMBER OF POSITIONS THAT YOU'RE APPLYING
13 THERE IS WORTHY, AND I'M HAPPY THAT YOU'RE WORKING, WE'RE ALL
14 WORKING A LOT BETTER WITH OUR NEW INTERIM DIRECTOR THERE. AND
15 THEN LASTLY, I DO WANT TO SAY THAT I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT -
16 - I KNOW MITCH, I DON'T KNOW IF MITCH KATZ IS HERE, BUT I KNOW
17 HIS STAFF AND EVERYONE HAVE WORKED SO HARD ON EXPANDING MENTAL
18 HEALTH SERVICES IN OUR COUNTY JAILS, AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT
19 PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW, THAT THEY ARE WORKING VERY NIMBLY TO GET
20 THAT UP AND RUNNING. AND THEN FINALLY, THE 400 NEW SOCIAL
21 WORKERS AND SUPPORT STAFF THAT ARE SO DEARLY NEEDED THROUGHOUT
22 THE COUNTY, IN PARTICULAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
23 FAMILY SERVICES, AND THE NEED TO ALSO PROVIDE POSITIONS FOR
24 SUPERVISORIAL AND MANAGEMENT, OUR MANAGEMENT TEAM. AND THEN,
25 JUST LASTLY, I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT THE ISSUE OF



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1 HOMELESSNESS REMAINS A TOP PRIORITY FOR ALL OF US, AND I HOPE
2 THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER SO THAT WE CAN BEGIN TO RE-FORMULATE
3 HOW WE CAN EXPAND THE USE OF OUR MONEY SO THAT WE GO BEYOND
4 JUST THE 5 PERCENT OF THE HOMELESS THAT CONTINUE TO CYCLE IN
5 AND OUT AND REALLY UTILIZE ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF \$1 BILLION AND
6 TRY TO COME UP WITH SOME SUPPORT SYSTEMS THERE, SO WE CAN
7 REALLY BRING THAT DOWN AND HOPEFULLY EXPAND THE NUMBER OF
8 WRAP-AROUND SERVICES THAT ARE NEEDED IN OUR COMMUNITIES. I
9 WOULD STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THAT AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
10 YOU AND ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS ON THAT ITEM. AND LASTLY, I JUST
11 WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING ON THIS BUDGET
12 AND THE SECOND YEAR NOW THAT I'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY NOW TO
13 VOTE ON IT AND MY FIRST AS THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD. SO, I THANK
14 YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND EVERYONE'S ON THE BOARD, AS WELL,
15 AND YOUR STAFFS. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REMARKS. IS THERE
16 ANYONE ELSE? YES, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I SIMPLY WANT TO ECHO THE
19 SENTIMENT OF THOSE WHO HAVE EXPRESSED ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE
20 OFFICE OF THE C.E.O., IN PARTICULAR SACHI HAMAI AND HER ENTIRE
21 TEAM FOR PREPARING A BALANCED BUDGET, A PRUDENT BUDGET, A
22 STRATEGIC BUDGET. THE COUNTY HAS EXPERIENCE SOME MODEST
23 REVENUE GROWTH THE PAST FEW YEARS, AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
24 BALANCE PROGRAM EXPANSION AND INVESTMENT WITH RESPECT TO
25 REFORM AND THE STABILIZATION THAT ALL OF THAT REQUIRES. I'M



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1 PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE FUNDING FOR MANY OF THE BOARD'S
2 PRIORITIES IS IN FACT REFLECTED IN THE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION.
3 IN PARTICULAR, THE \$100 MILLION PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE
4 BOARD FOR THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE IS BEING APPROPRIATED IN THE
5 FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 FOR VARIOUS HOMELESS STRATEGIES, INCLUDING
6 SUBSIDIZED HOUSING TO HOMELESS DISABLED INDIVIDUALS, EXPANSION
7 OF RAPID REHOUSING, A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE THAT WE ALL KNOW IS
8 INCREASINGLY, CRITICALLY IMPORTANT, BRIDGING HOUSING FOR THOSE
9 EXITING JAILS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS, AND LAST BUT CERTAINLY
10 NOT LEAST, VETERANS AT RISK OF EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.
11 THESE ARE SPECIFIC STRATEGIES THAT ARE ARTICULATED, AND THEY
12 ARE IMPORTANT. BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT THESE RESOURCES ARE,
13 AS WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THEM, ONE-TIME IN NATURE, ONE-TIME ONLY.
14 WE HAVE YET TO IDENTIFY ONGOING FUNDING SOURCES TO ADDRESS THE
15 HOMELESS CRISIS IMPACTING ALL AREAS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
16 ANGELES. SO, THAT TASK REMAINS BEFORE US. I'M CONCERNED IF WE
17 DON'T IDENTIFY A FUNDING MECHANISM TO ADDRESS THIS ONGOING
18 ISSUE, THE CRISIS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WILL WORSEN, HAVE
19 NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE PEOPLE OF THIS
20 COUNTY, COSTS IN TERMS OF HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC
21 HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES, THAT WHICH HAPPENS IN TERMS OF LAW
22 ENFORCEMENT AND THE RANGE OF ATTENDANT ISSUES. THEY CONTINUE
23 TO CONCERN US AND POTENTIALLY PLAGUE US. SO, I'M HOPEFUL THAT
24 WE WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN OUR EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY SUSTAINABLE
25 FUNDING FOR SOURCES. AND ONCE AGAIN, WE WANT TO THANK THE



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1 C.E.O. FOR ITS HARD WORK, NOT ONLY ON THE BUDGET BUT THE
2 EXPLORATION OF A PURSUIT OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL SERVICE
3 OUR PRIORITIES, RESULTING IN THE THINGS THAT WE KNOW THAT WE
4 CAN, SHOULD, AND INDEED MUST DO, PARTICULARLY AROUND THE ISSUE
5 OF HOMELESS PREVENTION. MADAME CHAIR.

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7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, SUPERVISOR
8 KUEHL.

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10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I WANT TO ADD MY VOICE OF PRAISE. WHEN I
11 FIRST WENT TO SERVE IN SACRAMENTO, MY FIRST SPEAKER WAS WILLIE
12 BROWN. AND THE ADVICE THAT HE GAVE ALL OF US WAS: NEVER FALL
13 IN LOVE WITH YOUR STUPID LITTLE BILLS.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH.

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17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THE BUDGET IS WHERE IT'S AT. AND I'VE
18 REMEMBERED THAT, BECAUSE I HAVE SEEN -- AND THIS BUDGET IS A
19 REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE -- WE HAVE BEEN TALKING OVER THIS PAST
20 YEAR ABOUT A LOT OF CHANGES. AND THE ONLY PLACE, REALLY, THAT
21 ANY CHANGE IS EFFECTIVELY REPRESENTED IS IN THE BUDGET, WHEN
22 YOU SAY, AS THE SAYING GOES, I'M GOING TO PUT MY MONEY WHERE
23 MY MOUTH IS. AND I THINK WE HAVE BEGUN TO DO THAT, AND TO YOUR
24 CREDIT, IN A RESPONSIBLE WAY, IN A DELIBERATE WAY, AND YET,
25 TOTALLY REFLECTIVE OF THIS IDEA THAT WE HAVE THAT THERE MAY BE



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1 OTHER WAYS OF DEALING WITH ALL OF THE VULNERABLE POPULATIONS
2 FOR WHOM WE HAVE RESPONSIBILITY. SO, I THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
3 YOU AND YOUR STAFF AND THE WAY YOU'VE WORKED WITH ALL OF US,
4 YOU KNOW, TO THE TREASURER, TO COUNTY COUNSEL, TO ALL THE
5 DEPARTMENT HEADS, TO ALL OF OUR MANY TALENTED WORKERS DOING
6 THE WORK ON THIS BUDGET AND CARRYING OUT ALL OF THESE
7 DIRECTIVES. SO, I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** FOR MANY YEARS, WE TALKED ABOUT
12 GETTING BACK TO A FORM OF STRUCTURE THAT WITH THE ADDITION OF
13 SUPERVISOR, MYSELF AND KUEHL, WE WERE ABLE TO ADOPT. AND SO,
14 HAVING THE BOARD WITH A GREATER RESPONSIBILITY OVER THAT
15 FAILED ORDINANCE, TEMPORARY ORDINANCE THAT FORMER COLLEAGUES
16 PUT FORTH, INDICATE HOW YOU CAN HAVE A BETTER FORM OF
17 GOVERNMENT. THE SAME IS GOING TO BE FELT AND EXPERIENCED WITH
18 THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AS WE'RE WORKING WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH,
19 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND HEALTH. SO, ALL OF THESE STREAMLININGS IS
20 BRINGING ACCOUNTABILITY AND ELIMINATING A LOT OF BUREAUCRACY,
21 BECAUSE WE'RE ABLE TO ELIMINATE, JUST IN THE RESTRUCTURING TO
22 THE FORM THAT WE HAVE TODAY, THAT WAS \$2-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS,
23 SACHI, THAT WE SAVED IN A C.E.O. BUREAUCRACY THAT WAS JUST
24 LIKE PIMPLES ON A NOSE, WORTHLESS. [LAUGHTER.] SO, ANYWAY, WE
25 JUST WANT TO THANK SACHI AND THE STAFF AND OUR INDEPENDENT



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1 DEPUTIES WHO WORKED ON THE BUDGET AND ALL THEIR INTERACTIONS
2 THAT TOOK PLACE. BUT WE'RE FOCUSING ON -- YOU KNOW, WE DO HAVE
3 A SPIKE IN CRIME. WE JUST HAD THE TRAGEDIES THAT OCCURRED THIS
4 WEEKEND. IT'S JUST SHOCKING AND DISAPPOINTING WITH OFFICERS
5 WHO WERE SHOT IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM.
6 BUT WE'RE DEALING WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND WITH THE
7 MENTAL HEALTH, WITH THE HOMELESS, WITH THE FOSTER CHILDREN,
8 EMANCIPATED YOUTH, AND WE'RE LOOKING AT THE WHOLE SPECTRUM,
9 ALONG WITH WHAT'S HAPPENED IN EXIDE AND ALISO CANYON THAT
10 CONTINUES TODAY, AND WE JUST SENT THE COUNTY COUNSEL, PEOPLE
11 ARE STILL NOT BEING REIMBURSED, SO NOW THEY CAN GO TO THE
12 JUDGE AND HOW THEY'RE GOING TO DO THAT. SO, WE'VE GOT LETTERS
13 THIS WEEKEND ON THAT. BUT ANYWAY, I JUST WANT TO THANK
14 EVERYBODY AND THE BOARD ALL WORKING TOGETHER ON THIS ISSUE.

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD MEMBERS, AS
17 WELL. I REALIZE THAT THIS IS THE LAST BUDGET THAT SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH AND KNABE WILL BE SEATED HERE WITH US. SO, WE
19 SHOULD SAVOR THIS MOMENT, BECAUSE IT WILL BE A NEW DAY COME
20 DECEMBER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR
21 STAFF AND OBVIOUSLY THE PUBLIC THAT CAME OUT TODAY TO SPEAK ON
22 YOUR ITEMS AND ALL OF THE COUNTY FAMILY FOR THEIR HARD WORK.
23 IT'S MUCH APPRECIATED. OKAY, WITH THAT, WE'RE ADJOURNED.
24 CONGRATULATIONS.

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